

Master Codebook for Recorded Legislative Vote Project

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VS indicates a vote-specific variable. DS indicates a deputy-specific variable:

VOTE RESPONSES (vs)

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 2 Open-ended question (only used for Brazilian legislators, who are thus free to vote without recommendation from their party leader)
- 3 Obstruction procedure (also only in Brasil)
- 4 No declaration (Brasil)
- 5 Abstain
- 6 No response
- 7 Absent
- 8 Absent with Permission (only in Peru)
- 9 Suspended (Peru);
- 10 Not a member/Missing (Russia)
- 11 Quorum vote (Mexico)

DATES (vs)

All dates are written in the format: YYYYMMDD
August 1, 2000, would thus be: 20000801

VOTE # (vs)

“Vote#” represents a code wherein each vote is assigned a specific number. In most cases, these numbers begin at v001 for each country, and count up until the end of the dataset. In a few cases (Canada, Argentina, Mexico), votes were given separate codes previously. Each vote still has a unique identifier, it just may include other letters.

DATE # (vs)

A vote’s “date#” counts the number of votes on a given date. If 20000801 has 8 votes, then these would have date#’s 1-8, regardless of the vote#’s.

NAME (ds)

Each legislator's name is written in at least one file. Some files separate surnames from given names, and others do not.

LEG # (ds)

A deputy's legislator number is a code for identifying him/her while manipulating files. In each country's dataset, each deputy was given a unique identifier, beginning with d001, and counting up until the last deputy on the list. In Chile, as the two congresses overlapped extensively, legislators were not given new numbers if they spilled over from the first to the second congress. Thus, the Chile files contain 166 unique deputy identifiers, even though they span two separate congresses of 120 deputies each.

ISSUE (vs)

- 1 economic issues
- 2 social issues
- 3 government policy/reform/procedure
- 4 international issues
- 5 miscellaneous
- 6 private member bills

THRESHOLD (thresh)

Each vote was given a threshold code, according to the majority required for passage of the particular bill/amendment. These codes, given uniformly across all datasets, are:

1	[aye / (aye + nay)]	>	.5
2	[aye / (aye + nay + abstain)]	>	.5
3	[aye / (aye + nay + abstain)]	>	.67
4	[aye / (aye + nay + else)]	>	.5
5	[aye / (aye + nay + noresp)]	>	.57
6	[aye / (aye + nay + noresp)]	>	.6
7	[aye / (aye + nay + noresp)]	>	.67
8	[aye / (aye + nay + abstain)]	>	.6
9	[aye / (aye + nay + abstain)]	>	.75
10	[aye / (aye + nay + abstain)]	>	.71
11	[aye / (aye + nay + else)]	>	.67
12	[aye / (aye + nay + else)]	>	.6

[where "aye" represents total yes's (1's), "nay" represents total no's (0's), "abstain" represents total abstentions (5's), "noresp" represents all those who logged no official vote (2-4, 6, 7, 8, 9), and "else" represents all those who did not vote either yes or no (abstain + noresp)]

ARGENTINA-specific stuff

ARGVOTE#

The vote # assigned by the Argentine Camara, which includes identifying info about session and motion.

PARTY

- 1 PJ
- 2 UCR
- 3 UCD
- 4 Acción por la República
- 5 ARI
- 6 Autonomista de Corrientes
- 7 Bloquista de San Juan
- 8 Cruzada Renovadora
- 9 Demócrata de Mendoza
- 10 Demócrata Progresista
- 11 Desarrollo y Justicia
- 12 Frente Cívico Social
- 13 Frente para el Cambio
- 14 Frente Partido Nuevo
- 15 FREPASO
- 16 Fuerza Republicana
- 17 Liberal de Corrientes
- 18 Movimiento Cívico y Social
- 19 Movimiento Popular Feuguino
- 20 Movimiento Popular Neuquino
- 21 Partido Demócrata por la Capital Federal
- 22 Partido Federal
- 23 Renovador de Salta
- 24 Unidad Bonaerense
- 25 Alianza
- 26 Interbloque Acción por la Republica
- 27 FISCAL
- 28 Socialismo Popular
- 29 Frente Polo Social
- 30 Partido Unidad Federalista
- 31 Autodeterminación y Libertad
- 32 Izquierda Unida
- 33 UCEDE
- 34 P.I.
- 35 P.L.
- 36 P.B.
- 37 P.B.S.J.
- 38 P.P.
- 39 M.P.J.
- 40 Frejuli
- 41 P.A.L.

- 42 M.P.C.
- 43 P.J. (F.J.R.)
- 44 J. (Frejudepa)
- 45 P.D.
- 46 P.D.P.
- 47 P.R.S.
- 48 M.I.D. (Frejuli)
- 49 P.D.C. (P.J.)
- 50 D.P.B.B.
- 51 A.U.S.
- 52 P.S.U. (U.C.R.)
- 53 P.F. (U.C.R.)
- 54 M.I.D.
- 55 M.P.R.N.
- 56 A.C.R.
- 57 P.I. (Frejupo)
- 58 M.P.R.
- 59 P.S.U.
- 60 P.B.J.
- 61 C.R.S.J.
- 62 Acc. Ch.
- 63 U.S.
- 64 MODIN
- 65 U.C.R. (F.C.S.C.)
- 66 F.G.
- 67 U.S. - HTYE
- 68 Rep. Dem.
- 69 PAIS
- 70 L. Abierta
- 71. P.Com
- 72. M.P.P.S.L.

PROVINCE

- 1 Buenos Aires
- 2 Capital Federal
- 3 Catamarca
- 4 Chaco
- 5 Chubut
- 6 Córdoba
- 7 Corrientes
- 8 Entre Rios
- 9 Formosa
- 10 Jujuy
- 11 La Pampa
- 12 La Rioja

- 13 Mendoza
- 14 Misiones
- 15 Nequén
- 16 Rio Negro
- 17 Salta
- 18 San Juan
- 19 San Luis
- 20 Santa Cruz
- 21 Santa Fe
- 22 Santiago del Estero
- 23 Tierra del Fuego
- 24 Tucumán

For years given, the membership of each legislator in the particular time frame is recorded:

- 0 Not a member of legislature during time period
- 1 Member of legislature during time period

AUSTRALIA

- 1 Liberal
- 2 Alp
- 3 National
- 6 Independent

BRAZIL

REGIONS

- 1 North
- 2 Northeast
- 3 Southeast
- 4 Centerwest
- 5 South

STATES

- | | | |
|-------|---|-----------|
| North | 1 | Roraima |
| | 1 | Amapa |
| | 2 | Para |
| | 3 | Amazonas |
| | 4 | Rondonia |
| | 5 | Acre |
| | 6 | Tocantins |

Northeast	8	Maranhao
	9	Ceara
	10	Piaui
	11	Rio Grande do Norte
	12	Paraiba
	13	Pernambuco
	14	Alagoas
Southeast	15	Sergipe
	16	Bahia
	17	Minas Gerais
	18	Espirito Santo
Centerwest	19	Rio de Janeiro
	20	Sao Paulo
	21	Mato Grosso
	22	Distrito Federal
South	23	Goias
	24	Mato Grosso do Sul
	25	Parana
	26	Santa Catarina
	27	Rio Grande do Sul

TITLED/SUBSTITUTE

0	to go out
1	titled
2	substitute
3	effective as titled

PARTIES

1	PFL	Partido da Frente Liberal
2	PSDB	Partido Social Democratico Brasileiro
3	PMDB	Partido do Movimento Democratico Brasileiro
4	PTB	Partido Trabalhista Brasileiro
5	PPB	Partido do Povo Brasileiro
6	PL	Partido Liberal
7	PT	Partido dos Trabalhadores
8	PDT	Partido Democratico Trabalhista
9	PCdoB	Partido Comunista do Brasil
10	PPS	Partido Popular Socialista
11	PSB	Partido Socialista Brasileiro
12	PMN	Partido da Mobilização Nacional
13	PV	Partido Verde
14	PSTU	Partido Socialista dos Trabalhadores Unificados
15	Prona	Partido da Reunificação da Ordem Nacional
16	PSD	Partido Social Democrático
17	PSC	Partido Social Critão
18	PRN	Partido da Reconstrução Nacional

- 19 PTR
- 20 PRP Partido Republicano Progressista
- 21 PP Partido Progressista
- 22 PCB Partido Comunista Brasileiro
- 23 PSL Partido Social Liberal
- 24 No party
- 25 PHS
- 26 PDC
- 27 (unknown name)
- 28 PDS
- 29 PST
- 30 PRS
- 31 SP
- 32 PRN- Partido da Reconstru?ao Nacion

PARTY STATUS

- pelected the party under which this deputy was elected to congress
- change1 the party to which this deputy made his/her first party change
- change2-3 a deputy's 3rd and 4th parties
- pmarch98 a deputy's party as of March 1998
- nchanges total number of party changes this deputy underwent

PRESIDENT'S COALITION (PR.COAL)

- 0 does not take part
- 1 does take part

RUNNING FOR REELECTION? (REELECT)

- 0 will not run
- 1 will run
- 2 will run for another electoral position (Senator, Governor, etc.)
- 3 does not know yet
- 4 other (renounced, fired, obstructed by court, dead, etc.)

POSITION IN CONGRESS (POSCON)

- 1 President of Congress
- 2 First VP
- 3 Second VP
- 4 First Secretary
- 5 Second Secretary
- 6 Third Secretary
- 7 Fourth Secretary
- 8 First Substitute
- 9 Second Substitute
- 10 Third Substitute
- 11 Fourth Substitute
- 12 No position

GOVERNMENT POSITION ON THE ISSUE (GOVT_POS)

- 0 No
- 1 Yes

PARTY LEADER INDICATION: L(any party)

- 0 No
- 1 Yes
- 2 Open-ended question
- 3 Obstruction Procedure
- 4 No declaration
- 5 Abstain

GOVERNMENT LEADER INDICATION (LGOV)

Identical to party leader indication

AGGREGATED TALLIES (possibly incorrect)

- Yany party total number of yes's on that vote
- Nany total number of no's
- Fany total number of abstentions

NOTES:

As given by Pereira, the following votes contains individual records, but no aggregate tallies:

- CN950004 CN950019
- CN950008 CN950021
- CN950015 CN950010

The following vote contains aggregate information, but no individual records:
CD970130

CANADA

rank1-6

- 0 Not in
- 1 Backbencher
- 2 Committee Chair
- 3 Deputy Whip
- 4 Parliamentary Secretary
- 5 Junior Minister/Minor Portfolio Critic/Chief Whip
- 6 CM
- 7 Leader

p3 (party)

- 0 n/a
- 1 Progressive conservative

- 2 Liberal
- 3 NDP
- 4 Reform
- 5 Bloc
- 9 IND

p7 (gender)

- 1 male
- 2 female

c2 (state)

- 1 British Columbia
- 2 Yukon
- 3 Alberta
- 4 Northwest Territories
- 5 Saskatchewan
- 6 Manitoba
- 7 Ontario
- 8 Quebec
- 9 New Brunswick
- 10 Nova Scotia
- 11 PEI
- 12 Newfoundland

e41 (outcome)

- 0 Lost
- 1 Won
- 9 Did not contest

c4 (urban/rural)

- 0 Rural
- 1 Urban
- 2 Suburban
- 3 Provincial

DNAT

- D* Division variable (1st or 2nd division)
- N* Number of division (1-*N*)
- A* Division type
- T* Time Period of Votes (sitting day)

Division Type

- A* Confidence
- B* Money/Supply/Budget & Amendments
- C* Government Motion
- D* 2nd Reading & Report Stage

- E Government Amendments
- F Free Vote
- G 3rd Reading
- H Time Allocation
- I Opposition Motion
- J Opposition Amendments
- K 3rd party Amendments
- L Adjournment and Procedure
- M Private Members' Business
- N Backbench Amendments

CHILE

The Chilean data is divided into two sets: 1st and 2nd congress (I do not know the dates)

PARTIES

- 1 DC
- 2 Partido Radical Social Democratica
- 4 Socialista
- 5 PPD
- 6 Independents in Concertacion
- 7 RN
- 8 PN
- 9 UDI
- 10 UCC
- 11 Independents in Right Coalition
- 12 P. del Sur
- 13 Independents or minor party deputies outside major coalitions

COALITION (coaln)

- 1 Concertacion (parties 1, 2, 4, 5, 6)
- 2 Right (parties 7, 8, 9, 11)
- 3 Independents (parties 10, 13)

COSTA RICA

PARTIES

- 1 AD
- 4 AS
- 5 DC
- 6 PLN
- 7 PU
- 8 PUNIF

- 9 PUSC
- 10 UAC
- 11 UCR
- 12 VP

STATES

- 1 Alajuela
- 2 Cartago
- 3 Guanacaste
- 4 Heredia
- 5 Limon
- 6 Puntarenas
- 7 San Jose

CZECH REPUBLIC

PARTIES -- 1ST Congress -- 1992

- 2 ODS
- 3 KDS
- 4 ODA
- 5 KSU-CSL
- 6 HSD-SMS
- 7 LSNS
- 8 HSDMS
- 9 SPR-RSC
- 10 LSU
- 11 CSSD
- 12 LB
- 13 BEZ

PARTIES – 2nd Congress – 1996

- 2 ODS
- 3 ODA
- 4 KDU-CSL
- 9 SPR-RSC
- 11 ?????? (not given – we don't know what party this is)
- 14 CSSD
- 15 LB

ECUADOR

PARTIES

- | | | |
|------|---------------------------------------|---|
| PCE | Partido Conservador Ecuatoriano | 1 |
| CFP | Concentración de Fuerzas Populares | 2 |
| CID | Coalición Institucionalista Demócrata | 3 |
| ID | Izquierda Democrática | 4 |
| PLRE | Partido Liberal Radical Ecuatoriano | 5 |

PSC	Partido Social Cristiano	6
PNR	Partido Nacionalista Revolucionario	7
PNV	Partido Nacional Velasquista	8
MPD	Movimiento Popular Democrático	9
PRE	Partido Roldosista Ecuatoriano	10
PSE	Partido Socialista Ecuatoriano	11
FRA	Frente Radical Alfarista	12
DP	Democracia Popular	13
FADI	Frente Amplio de Izquierda	14
PUR	Partido Unidad Republicana	15
APRE	Acción Popular Revolucionaria Ecuatoriana	16
MUPP	Movimiento Unidad Plurinacional Pachacutik	17
PCD	Partido Pueblo Cambio y Democracia	18
PLN	Partido Liberación Nacional	19
PD	Partido Demócrata	20
PS-FA	Partido Socialista – Frente Amplia	21
PL/FRA	Alianza PL y FRA	22
APRE/DP	Alianza APRE y DP	23
DP/FRA	Alianza DP y FRA	24
DP/MUPP	Alianza DP y MUPP	25
NP/PS-FA	Alianza Nuevo País y PS-FA	26
MUPP/PS/NP	Alianza MUPP, PS-FA y Nuevo País	27
Independ.	Independiente	28
Missing	Missing Data	99

PROVINCES

Esmeraldas	1
Manabí	2
Los Ríos	3
Guayas	4
El Oro	5
Carchi	6
Imbabura	7
Pichincha	8
Cotopaxi	9
Tungurahua	10
Bolívar	11
Chimborazo	12
Azogues	13
Cañar	14
Azuay	15
Loja	16
Sucumbíos	17
Napo	18
Orellana	19
Pastaza	20
Morona Santiago	21

Zamora Chinchipe	22
Galápagos	23
National	24

LEGISLATURES

1979-1984	1
1984-1986	2
1986-1988	3
1988-1990	4
1990-1992	5
1992-1994	6
1994-1996	7
1996-1998	8
1998-2002	9

FRANCE

PARTIES

- 0 Not Seated
- 1 Communiste
- 2 Progressiste
- 3 Rass. Dem. Afr.
- 4 Socialiste
- 5 Musul, Ind.
- 6 TLD Algerie
- 7 Gauche Ind.
- 8 Rad. Soc.
- 9 MRP
- 10 UDSR
- 11 Ind. Outremer
- 12 PRC
- 13 Paysan
- 14 Un. Dem. Soc.
- 15 Rep. Dem. Soc.
- 16 Act. Dem. Soc.
- 17 Rep. Pop. Ind.
- 18 Non Inscrit (no party)
- 19 Mouv. Soc. Afr.
- 20 Rad. (Morice)
- 21 Rad. (Faure)
- 22 Act. Pays Soc.
- 23 Ind. Paysan
- 24 Cent. Dem. Soc.
- 25 IPAS – Rurale
- 26 IPAS
- 27 Rep Indep
- 28 RPF, URAS, RS
- 29 Rep. Soc.

30 ARS
31 Uff (Poujade)

GUATEMALA

PARTIES

Partido de Avanzada Nacional

- 0 Partido de Avanzada Nacional
- 1 Frente Republicano Guatemalteco
- 2 Alianza Nueva Nación
- 3 Democracia Cristiana Guatemalteca
- 4 Partido Libertador Progresista
- 5 Unión Democrática u la Organización Verde
- 6 Frente Democrático Nueva Guatemala
- 7 Unión del Centro Nacional
- 8 Unión Democrática
- 9 Movimiento Libertado Nacional
- 10 Independiente
- 11 Bancada Independiente de la Patria Grande

1st Congress – 1996-1997

2nd Congress – 1997-1998

3rd Congress – 1998-1999

4th Congress – 2000-2001

The votes from other congresses (1994-1995; 1995-1996; 1999-2000) were not analyzed due to scarcity in number of votes per congress.

ISRAEL

PARTIES

- 1 Labor Party
- 2 Likud
- 3 Shas
- 4 Gesher
- 5 Meretz
- 6 Ihud Leumi – Yisrael Beitenu
- 7 Center Party
- 8 Shinui
- 9 National Religious Party
- 10 Yahadut Hatorah
- 11 United Arab List
- 12 Yisrael Be`aliyah
- 13 Hadash
- 14 Democratic Choice
- 15 One Nation
- 16 Balad
- 17 Herut – National Movement

MEXICO

total total number of deputies voting on a given vote

PARTIES

- 1 PRI
- 2 PAN
- 3 PRD
- 4 PT
- 5 PVEM
- 6 INDEP

TYPE

- 1 pub – public bills
- 2 priv – private bills

CLASS

- 1 all – plurality of all parties concurring
- 2 major – plurality of at least one of the three major parties dissenting
- 3 minor – plurality of at least one of the two minor parties dissenting, all major parties concurring

NEW ZEALAND

PARTIES

- 0 Not in parliament
- 1 National
- 2 Labour
- 3 Alliance
- 4 New Zealand First
- 5 ROC
- 6 Future New Zealand
- 7 CD
- 9 Conservative
- 10 United

NICARAGUA

PARTIES

- 1 Partido Conservador de Nicaragua
- 2 Partido Frente Sandinista

- 3 Partido Alianza Liberal
- 4 Partido Liberal Independiente
- 5 Partido Proyecto Nacional
- 6 Camino Cristiano Nicaraguense
- 7 Movimiento Renovador Sandinista
- 8 Partido Alianza UNO 96
- 9 Partido Resistencia Nicaraguense
- 10 Partido Alianza Unidad
- 11 Partido Accion Nacional Conservadora

PERU

PARTIES – 1st Congress – prior to August 2000

- 1 Nueva Mayoria
- 2 Union por el Peru
- 3 Partido Aprista Peruano
- 4 Frente Independiente Moralizador
- 5 Accion Popular – Coordinadora Democratica
- 6 Partido Popular Cristiano – Renovacion
- 7 Democracia en Accion
- 8 Independientes

PARTIES – 2nd Congress – post August 2000

- 0 Peru 2000
- 1 Peru Posible
- 2 Frente Independiente Moralizador
- 3 Somos Peru
- 4 Union por el Peru/Accion Popular
- 5 No agrupados
- C Coalition of groups 1-5 (ie, all deputies that are not in Peru 2000)

The Peruvian votes for the 2nd Congress have been analyzed in various forms. First, the votes were analyzed for the entire time period given the original parties under which the deputies were elected. Then, they were analyzed using the same parties, but broken up into three time periods: August – September 2000, October -- November 2000, and December 2000 – June 2001. After this, they were analyzed using party designations that were listed after massive realignment in April 2001, broken up with the same time periods as above.

POLAND

PARTIES

- 1 AWS (Solidarity)
- 2 SLD (Soc. Dems.)
- 3 UW (Freedom Union)
- 4 PSL (Peasants)
- 6 ROP (Movement for the Reconstruction of Poland)
- 7 niez. (not sure -- maybe independents)
- 9 KPN-Ojcz, KPN-O (Confederation for an Independent Poland)
- 10 NK (also not sure -- maybe German Minority)

RUSSIA

VOTE TYPE (VOTTYPE)

- 0 invalid
- 1 agenda
- 2 procedural
- 3 substantive
- 9 post 3rd-reading action
- 99 special (e.g. zaprosy)

REPEAT (was the vote ever repeated?)

- 0 never repeated
- else a countdown to 1 for the last time repeated

VOTE CATEGORY (votcateg)

- 1 vote in 3rd reading
- 2 vote on report of agreement commission (i.e. not subject to amendment)
- 3 vote to override veto (vote on Duma's original passage)

LEGAL STATUS (conlaw)

- 1 ordinary law
- 2 constitutional law
- 3 postanovlenie

THE PHILIPPINES

PARTIES

- 0 Independent
- 1 LAMP – Lapian ng Masang Pilipino
- 2 Lakas/NUCD/UMDP – Lakas ng EDSA/National Union of Christian Democrats/United Muslim Democ
- 3 NPC – Nationalist People's Coalition
- 4 LDP – Laban ng Demokratikong Pilipino

- 5 LP – Liberal Party
- 6 KBL – Kilusang Bagong Lipunan
- 7 PDP-Laban – Partido Demokratiko Pilipino/Lakas ng Bansa
- 8 KAMPI – Kabalikat ng Malayang Pilipino
- 9 NP – Nationalista Party
- 10 Lakas-IND
- 11 PRP – People’s Reform Party

Datasets aggregated at party level

The recorded vote data from Uruguay and the United States were aggregated by party (e.g. Colorado Party: 40 aye, 10 nay; Blanco Party 15 aye 25 nay; etc.) rather than by individual legislator (e.g. Raul Garcia: aye; Pablo Neruda, nay; etc.). All other datasets were individual-level.

URUGUAY

The data from Uruguay are divided into two sets:

- 1st 1985-89
- 2nd 1989-94

PARTIES

- 1 COL
- 2 NAL
- 3 FA
- 4 NE

UNITED STATES

The US data set is divided into 4 congresses (1991-92, 1993-94, 1995-96, 1997-98)

- cq# motion number for that particular congress
- d_yes total number of Democrats voting yes on a given vote
- d_no total number of Democrats voting no on a given vote
- d_no_rec total number of Democrats for which there is no vote on record
- r_yes total number of Republicans voting yes
- r_no total number of Republicans voting no
- r_no_rec total number of Republicans with no record